

IN THE CLAIMS:

1. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) A fluid isolation valve comprising:

a valve body, said valve body having a first fluid flow port, a second fluid flow port and a fluid drain port, wherein said valve body defines a fluid flow channel, a drain flow channel and a valve portion, said valve portion being disposed to be communicated with said first fluid flow port, said second fluid flow port and said fluid drain port;

a flow diversion device disposed within said valve portion, said flow diversion device being configurable between a first configuration and a second configuration, such that when said flow diversion device is in said first configuration said first fluid flow port is communicated with said second fluid flow port and when said flow diversion device is in said second configuration said first fluid flow port is communicated with said fluid drain port; and

a drain valve section ~~disposed~~ separate from and adjacent to said valve portion, said drain valve section communicating with said fluid drain port in a controllable manner and said drain valve section having a drain port valve disposed within.

2. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The fluid isolation valve according to claim 1, wherein said flow diversion device is a ball valve ~~unit comprising:~~

~~a ball section, said ball section defining~~ and said valve portion comprises a stem chamber and a ball chamber, said stem chamber disposed adjacent to and extending outwardly from said ball chamber;

a stem disposed within and extending outwardly from said stem chamber and connected to a ball disposed within said ball chamber, an exposed portion of said stem extending beyond said stem chamber; and

a handle connected to said exposed portion of said stem disposed within said stem chamber and connected to said ball, wherein actuation of said handle effects actuation of said ball for operating said ball valve unit.

3. (CURRENTLY AMENDED) The fluid isolation valve according to claim [[2]], 1 wherein ~~said drain valve section has a drain port valve disposed within and~~ said drain port valve is ~~one of a ball valve unit or a stem and seat valve.~~

4. (Cancelled)

5. (Cancelled)

6. (Cancelled)

7. (Cancelled)

8. (Cancelled)

9. (Cancelled)

10. (Original) The fluid isolation valve according to claim 1, wherein said first fluid flow port is fitted with a union connection and said second fluid flow port is fitted with a threaded connection.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Cancelled)

13. (Cancelled)

14. (Cancelled)

15. (PREVIOUSLY PRESENTED) The fluid isolation valve according to claim 2 wherein said ball valve unit has a first valve seat, a second valve seat, a third valve seat and a fourth valve seat wherein said valve seats sealably position said ball within said ball valve unit and said valve seats are made of a polymeric material.

16. (Cancelled)

17. (Cancelled)

18. (WITHDRAWN) A valve assembly comprising:

a valve body having a valve portion in communication with a first flow path, a second flow path, a relief path and a fluid drain path; and

at least one flow diversion device disposed within said valve body, said flow diversion device(s) being configurable between a first configuration and a second configuration, such that when said flow diversion device is in said first configuration said first flow path is communicated with said second flow path and said relief path, and when said flow diversion device(s) is in said second configuration said first flow path is communicated with said fluid drain path and said relief path.